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DEPARTMENT OF STEEL & MINES

NOTIFICATION

The 11th January 2011

No. 238–IV(A)SM-88/2009-SM.—Whereas it has been brought to the notice of Government that transit passes issued for dispatch of minerals in carriers under the relevant rules do not mention the route to be followed by the carrier while carrying the materials;

And whereas, it has also been observed by Government that unreasonable time limit is granted at times for the pass to remain valid;

And whereas, the very matter has engaged the attention of the Inter Agency Committee constituted for the purpose to firm up the procedure to be put in place to check illegal activities in transportation of iron ore;

And whereas, the recommendations of the Inter Agency Committee were also discussed in the State Level Task Force meeting held on the 11th August 2010 wherein it was decided to streamline the existing system in a just and proper manner.

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-rule (15) of Rule 10 of the Orissa Minerals (Prevention of Theft, Smuggling and Illegal Mining and Regulation of Possession, Storage, Trading and Transportation) Rules, 2007, the State Government have decided to impose the following restrictions with a view to check illegal transportation and storage of minerals, namely:—

- (i) The transit pass accompanying the dispatch of minerals in carriers shall indicate clearly the road route to be followed by the carrier from the mines or depot head from which the minerals or ore is to be dispatched to the destination point to which transportation is to be made.
- (ii) The transit pass shall remain valid only for the length of time equal to twice that usually required for the journey.

By order of the Governor

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Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Government